

## Consistory Meeting Minutes - May 28, 2009

**I. Call To Order/Roll Call:** Meeting was opened by Janice Broyan, President at 6:34 P.M. Candle lighting and prayer were offered by Ron Rinehimer. Those attending were Janice Broyan, Ron Rinehimer, Jim Rinehimer, Pastor Penny Dollar, Lynne Stewart, Hilbert Eigenbrod, Don Myers, and Chris Dietrich. *Absent:* Barry Myers and Caroline Cronce.

**II. Secretary's Report:** Minutes from April 16, 2009 meeting were given to some members via email. The remaining members received a copy. Minutes were reviewed & motion was made to approve minutes by L. Stewart & seconded by D. Myers. Motion carried.

**III. Treasurer's Report:** Handouts were provided for review on Treasury Report ending 4-30-09. Questions were asked about the decreasing figures in the General Fund. Will discuss in more detail under New Business. Motion was made to accept information in Treasurer's Report by R. Rinehimer & seconded by J. Rinehimer. Motion carried.

### **IV. Old Business:**

1. Configuration Of Choir Area: Entire area near choir has been completed. Looks great! Rob Prelewicz said that all that needs to be finished is the raising of platform for organ. Will need some help from men for when the organ needs to be raised. Will be completed soon.
2. Pastie / Pot Pie fundraiser: Went well. Sold about 225 of them. Not sure of exact figure yet, but is over \$525.00.
3. Spring Cleaning: Breakfast & cleanup went well. Could have used more help, only had about ten people cleaning. Thanks to all who helped with breakfast & cleaning!
4. Plaque: Very nice dedication held on Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup> during worship service. Don will see Denise Dean to put a thank you in newsletter.
5. Carnations For Mother's Day: Youth fellowship will pay for carnations again this year.
6. Brochure: No news yet on whether we are getting 500 or 1000 brochures. Janice will check with Connie Miller. Discussed whether or not we need a committee to help put directory together. Pastor will talk to Connie and Denise & help with finalizing directory.
7. Easter & Christmas Offering: No new information yet. Will discuss further in near future.
8. Confirmation on May 31, 2009: Photos will be taken by Bill Taney. Price will be around \$11.00 a picture for confirmands as a group and \$15.00 for confirmands with their families. Families of confirmands will pay for pictures. Mary Rinehimer has ordered roses for girls and boutineers for boys. New white robes have arrived & have been given to confirmands for Sunday.
9. New Direction Signs: Lynne has new sign for direction of fellowship hall & bathrooms. Will place sign near exit door of sanctuary leading into hallway and bathrooms. Thank you!!

### **V. New Business:**

1. General Fund Finances: Discussion about status of General Fund. Even with the silent auction profit (\$954.50), pastie/pot pie fundraiser (about \$525.00) and the transfer of the Ham & Chicken Dinner profit (\$855.07), we are struggling to meet our expenses for the remainder of the month of May as well as rest of year. Another fear is the summer months coming up. Many families go on vacations and attendance decreases as well as offering. Throughout this year, we have been bringing in about \$7,000 a month on average, but expenses have been averaging about

\$8,500 per month. This would be in worse condition if we did not have the Money Market account to fall back on. Discussion on more fundraisers for the summer months to help with expenses.

*Hoagie Sale:* Saturday, June 27 at 8 A.M. Set up on Friday evening at 6 P.M. Will see about getting some volunteers for Friday night & Saturday morning. Will make announcements weekly to congregation. Price of hoagies will be \$4.00 again (same price as last summer's hoagie sale).

*Flea Market:* Saturday, July 25<sup>th</sup> (8 A.M. to about 1 P.M. as of now). Discussed having it outside (weather permitting), will have it inside if it rains. Would be better to have flea market in front lawn and in parking lot below church so more people can see it from the road. Chris will take care of advertising Flea Market. We also need to have fliers ready to start posting too. Will start making announcements this Sunday to congregation.

2. Building Fund CD: Hilbert said CD is 2.96% at this time. Will check on rate when CD comes due around June 18<sup>th</sup>.

3. Benevolence Offering Distributions: Denise has not requested the Christmas & Easter offering distributions yet. Will find out more information from Denise.

4. Church Credit Card: Company is no longer going to be available. Will see about Citizens Bank. A motion was made to add Pastor Penny to account along with Denise by L. Stewart and seconded by R. Rinehimer. Motion carried.

5. Continuing Education: Pastor announced that she needs boundary training so that she does not cross any boundaries with congregation members. This is required by all ministers and needs to be done every four years. The cost for this training is \$50.00. A motion was made by L. Stewart for the church to pay for Pastor's training and was seconded by J. Rinehimer. Motion carried.

6. Transmission Of Taxes: Taxes now have been filed. Denise has already taken care of this.

7. Boiler Inspection: Pastor said a note was left on the front door of the church about having someone come out and inspect our boiler and then be charged. We do not have a boiler. Will tell Denise to cancel inspection so we do not get charged.

8. Auditors: Books have been audited and signed off. Thank you to Frank Partington and Cliff Readler for their time and getting them finished in such a timely manner.

9. Exit Lighting: Denise found the publication "Caring for our Churches" published by the UCCIB. There is a lot of valuable information on how we should keep our church safe and secure. There is a state law that requires all exit lights to be on at all times. If we do not have exit lights on and if there is a fire or other emergency, we could be sued. It is not worth the chance. Will flip switch to keep lights on.

## **VI. Others:**

1. Jim asked whether or not to have Church Picnic again this year. Heard many positive feedbacks from last years picnic. Will have it on Sunday, July 26<sup>th</sup> after church. Church will provide hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, drinks. Jim will tell Cindy Heller about picnic.

2. Air conditioner for fellowship hall: Would be used for events held inside during summer time. Hilbert would get more information about possibly getting one donated. Will discuss further at a later time.

3. Ron asked about starting a nursery again downstairs. We have more children now. Main emphasis would be finding volunteers. Volunteers will also need clearances since they are working with children if they do not already have one. Ron will make announcement to

congregation.

4. Jim said that there are cuts in the screens in fellowship hall windows on side closest to upper parking lot. Will need to get them replaced. Will ask volunteers to do this and order screens. Money would come out of Building Fund since it is a building expense. A motion was made by L. Stewart to allow new screens to come out of building fund and was seconded by R. Rinehimer. Motion carried.

5. Communion Schedule: *May*: Janice & Don; *June*: Ron & Lynne; *July*: Jim & Chris

6. Father's Day on Sun. June 21<sup>st</sup>: Discussed some suggestions for gifts.

7. Jim said that Road Cleanup was on Sun. May 17<sup>th</sup>. Went very well. We had around 12 volunteers to help clean up Alberdeen Road. Thanks to all who helped!

8. Family Night was on Fri. May 22<sup>nd</sup>. About 20 people showed up for food and games outside. Went very well! Had a wonderful time!

**VII. Pastor's Time:**

1. Old River Road Church is on Sun. July 19<sup>th</sup>. Emmanuel is in charge of hosting.

2. Graduate Sunday will be on June 7<sup>th</sup>.

3. Pastor said she has decided not to attend General Synod Conference in June as discussed at April meeting.

**VIII. Next Meeting:** Thurs. June 25<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 P.M.

**IX. Motion To Adjourn:** Motion was made by J. Rinehimer and seconded by D. Myers. Motion carried. Meeting ended at 8:52 P.M.